

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Kincaid called the meeting to order. The following members were present: Council Members Kate Beaton, Catherine Emmanuelle, Kerry Kincaid, David Klinkhammer, Eric Larsen, Kathy Mitchell, David Strobel, Tim Tewalt, Bob Von Haden, Andrew Werthmann, and Michael Xiong.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, May 10, 2016:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving Minutes of Organizational Meeting of April 19, 2016 and Legislative Meeting of April 26, 2016.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting Change of Agent for the Reserve Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license of Bear Creek Grille, Inc., d/b/a Grizzly's Wood Fired Grill & Steaks, 4890 Golf Road, from Shelby J. Pond to Jacob L. Schlub.
- Granting Change of Agent for the Class A Beer licenses of Cenergy, LLC at three locations:
 - Mega Holiday #3717, 1731 Brackett Avenue, from Christina Meckley to Julianne Zurek.
 - Mega Holiday #3734, 3314 E. Hamilton Avenue, from Jeffrey Julson to Timothy Griner.
 - Mega Holiday #3736, 2611 Birch Street, from Jeffrey Julson to Susan Miller.
- Authorizing Eau Claire Patriotic Council to conduct the Eau Claire Patriotic Council Memorial Day Parade and Program on Monday, May 30, 2016 along city streets and sidewalks.
- Authorizing Volume One Events, LLC to conduct the Sounds Like Summer Concert Series on Thursdays, beginning June 2 – August 25, 2016 at Phoenix Park.
- Authorizing Eau Claire Municipal Band, Inc. to conduct the Eau Claire Municipal Band Concerts on Wednesdays from June 8-July 27, 2016 at Owen Park.
- Amending the City of Eau Claire Schedule of Fees and Licenses, by changing the Municipal Ramp fee collection time to 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by adding the Municipal Ramp maximum 24-hour fee and by increasing the Municipal Ramp special event fee
- Proclaiming May 14, 2016 as International Migratory Bird Day in the City of Eau Claire.
- Approving the renewal of the agreement with UW – Eau Claire regarding the Bollinger Fields Use Agreement.
- Authorizing the Eau Claire Police Department to apply for a 2016 Bulletproof Vest Program grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.
- Approving the bid and procurement for Procurement 2016-24, City Wide Street & Utility Reconstruction.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the consent resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

DeLong Middle School students involved with Prime Products gave a brief over-view of their student-run business. Prime Products is a student-run entrepreneurial group at the middle school. Each year the business returns part of its profits to the community groups such as the Eau Claire Humane Association and the Children’s Museum and the Confluence Project. Prime Products has given an estimated \$15,000 to community organizations since it began in 2000

Council President Kincaid, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed May 20 as National Bike to Work Day and the week of June 5 as Wisconsin Bike to Work Week and encouraged residents to get out and ride their bicycles for fitness, recreation, and transportation.

Council President Kincaid, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed May 8 – 14 as Economic Development Week to recognize the importance of economic development in creating vibrant cities.

Council President Kincaid, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed May 15 – 21 as Emergency Medical Services Week and recognized its theme of “Called to Care”.

Council President Kincaid, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed May 15 – 21 as Police Week and May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day.

Council President Kincaid, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed May as Historic Preservation Month to celebrate the role our historic buildings played to shape our City.

LICENSE – BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

The Council considered a resolution granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license and Temporary Class B Wine license to Chippewa Valley Museum, David Pokrandt, President, for the Eau Claire Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event at the Chippewa Valley Museum, 1204 East Half Moon Drive, on June 13, 2016. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

GRANT ACCEPTANCE

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating a \$26,135 grant from the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the acquisition of 1625 Loken Lane. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Xiong and seconded by Council Member Larsen “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SCULPTURE TOUR DONATION

The City Council considered a resolution granting a permanent encroachment to Sculpture Tour Eau Claire to add a new location to the existing Sculpture Tour exhibit at the intersection of Galloway Street and North Dewey Street, south of the multi-use trail. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

TRANSIT CENTER

The City Council considered a resolution receiving the Transit Center Site Selection Study developed by the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution”. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Larsen and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to amend Item #3 in the Now Therefore Be It Resolved paragraph by adding Site #2”. Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Discussion of the various sites continued. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Von Haden “to amend Item #2 in the Now Therefore Be It Resolved paragraph by deleting Site #4”. Said motion failed on the following vote: Aye: Council Members Klinkhammer, Strobel, Tewalt and Von Haden. Nay: Council Members Beaton, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Larsen, Mitchell, Werthmann and Xiong. Discussion on the resolution continued. The Council then voted on the resolution as amended once. Said resolution was adopted by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Beaton, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Tewalt, Von Haden, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Member Strobel.

Council Member Tewalt left the Council Chamber.

AGREEMENTS

The Council considered a resolution approving the renewal of the Chippewa Valley Regional Computer Forensic Laboratory (CVRCL) agreement with Eau Claire County and the City of Altoona. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Larsen and seconded by Council Member Von Haden “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing an agreement with the Chippewa Off-Road Bicycle Association for assistance with trail development at Northwest Community Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Von Haden left the Council Chamber.

The Council considered a resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City, the Rotary Club of Eau Claire, and Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. ("DECI") for installation and operation of decorative lighting on the Phoenix Park Bridge. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Xiong "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

JEFFERS PARK – MIRACLE LEAGUE FIELD

The City Council considered a resolution approving a site plan in a P-Public district for the Miracle League Field in Jeffers Park as shown on Planning File PZ-0506 Amd. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Von Haden returned to the Council Chamber.

The City Council considered a resolution approving a Memo of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the Miracle League of Chippewa Valley for construction of a Miracle Field at Jeffers Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Larsen and seconded by Council Member Mitchell "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CONDOMINIUM PLAT

The Council considered a resolution approving the final condominium plat for 505 S. Barstow Street condominiums as shown on Planning File P-2-16. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Strobel "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Tewalt returned to the Council Chamber.

T.I.F. POLICY

The City Council considered a resolution approving a City Council Policy on Tax Increment Financing. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Werthmann "to adopt the resolution". Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer "to amend the policy as follows:

Under the heading Tax Incremental District Creation, subsection 4

- Change the phrase 'the minimum guaranteed assessed value of the initial project is \$15 million' to read 'the minimum guaranteed assessed value of the initial project is \$10 million'.

Under the heading Minimum Project Size

- Change the phrase 'an estimated increase in assessed value of \$15 million' to read 'an estimated increase in assessed value of \$10 million'.
- At the end of the paragraph add the sentence 'Projects with a lessor increase in assessed value may be considered if they further a substantial new development or redevelopment goal of the City.'

Said motion to amend passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Beaton, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Strobel, Tewalt, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Member Von Haden. The Council continued their discussion on the proposed policy. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Larsen “to amend Item #3 under the heading Development Agreement which currently reads ‘Maintenance of taxable status for the life of the TID’ to read ‘Maintenance of taxable status for 50 years’. Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The Council then voted on the motion adopting the resolution and adopted policy. Said resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.

ESCORT SERVICE LICENSE

The Council considered an ordinance creating Chapter 5.57 entitled “Escort Service License” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Tewalt “to adopt the ordinance”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property at 202 W. Grand Avenue (Grace Lutheran Church) from R-M to CBDP and to adopt the General Development Plan to allow office activities (specifically the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic) as shown on Planning File Z-1578-16.

ANNEXATION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance in accordance with Section 66.0217 Wisconsin Statutes, annexing to the City of Eau Claire and particularly to the 14th Assessment Ward, 4th Aldermanic District, that part of Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Block 8 of the Replat of Kohlhepp’s First Addition and parts of 33rd Street and Kohlhepp Road all located in the NW ¼-NE ¼ of Section 14-27-10, Town of Union, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 16-1A (Gietman / Prissel Petition, located at northeast corner of Kohlhepp Road and 33rd Street)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “that this meeting does now adjourn without objection.” Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment: May 10, 2016

Time: 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

Donna A. Austad, City Clerk